



Formartine Parish Church of Scotland

Order of Service

30 June 2024 at 10.00am Pitmedden Kirk

6th Sunday after Pentecost

Please use the Pitmedden Kirk Zoom link

Call to Worship

Leader: May we,
in God's name,
make community here,
shape space for those around us,
be a home for the stranger and the unloved
and affirm, here, all belong.

**ALL: May we open ourselves
to the Word of God,
that it would stir in us
a fresh word of peace and truth.**

Leader: Let us worship.

CH4 115: Love is the touch of intangible joy

Stories of Travelling and Hospitality

Prayer of approach and dedication

CH4 718: We cannot measure how you heal

Reflective Prayer

Word of God - Matthew 15:21-28

The Faith of a Woman From Canaan

²¹ Jesus left Galilee and went to the area of Tyre and Sidon. ²² A woman from Canaan lived near Tyre and Sidon. She came to him and cried out, "Lord! Son of David! Have mercy on me! A demon controls my daughter. She is suffering terribly."

²³ Jesus did not say a word. So his disciples came to him. They begged him, "Send her away. She keeps crying out after us."

²⁴ Jesus answered, "I was sent only to the people of Israel. They are like lost sheep."

²⁵ Then the woman fell to her knees in front of him. "Lord! Help me!" she said.

²⁶ He replied, "It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs."

²⁷ "Yes it is, Lord," she said. "Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their owner's table."

²⁸ Then Jesus said to her, "Woman, you have great faith! You will be given what you are asking for." And her daughter was healed at that moment.

PRAISE: She came to Jesus from outside the fold (tune Be thou my vision)

1.

She came to Jesus from outside the fold —
Canaanite woman! Persistent and bold!

Looking to Jesus, she wanted to see
One who would help her and set her child free.

2.

Claiming a blessing, a touch of God's grace,
She knew God's love was not bounded by place.
Jesus, you listened, debated — then healed —
For in her asking, her faith was revealed.

3.

God, you still bless those who seek you in prayer.
You welcome dreamers who faithfully dare.
In Christ, now risen, your mercy extends:
Those on the outside are welcomed as friends

Reflection

Welcoming strangers

CH4 721: We lay our broken world

Prayer for others and ourselves and Lord's Prayer

CH4 680: You are called to tell the story

Sending and blessing

Choral Amen

Notices

Formartine Church Newsletter

This newsletter is on a summer break just now.
Please see the TBC, website and fb page for information.
www.formartineparishchurch.org.uk

Next Sunday United Worship at 10.00 in Tarves Kirk

Rev Alastair Bruce will be leading worship and Holy Communion.
The congregational meeting to elect a Nominating Committee will follow after refreshments.
Please use the Tarves Zoom link

Worship in July and August

We will have United Worship during the summer months.
Sunday 14th July will be in Tarves and will then alternate between Pitmedden and Tarves.
See posters, our fb and website for more information. www.formartineparishchurch.org.uk

Session Meeting at 9am on Sunday 7th July prior to worship.

Pastoral Care: Please contact Susanna Bichard 01651 851345

If you are aware of anyone in the Parish who might welcome church flowers or a visit please let an elder know. We are here for everyone, members or not.